

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Original) Gardening tool comprising a handle with a handgrip on a first outer end and a working member on a second outer end, characterized in that the working member comprises a first blade-like part with which it is connected to the second outer end of the handle, that the working member comprises a second blade-like part with a number of at least substantially parallel tines lying in a blade plane, which second part extends from the first part, and that the first and second blade-like parts of the working member together enclose an obtuse angle.

2. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that, at least in a first working position, the blade plane of the tines of the second part is directed at least practically parallel to a ground surface, and in a second, reverse working position is positioned at least practically transversely of the ground surface.

3. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 [[or 2]], characterized in that the first part comprises a

handle insert as well as a number of connecting parts which extend and fan out therefrom and which maintain a certain mutual distance and end on their outer end in a continuous outer edge of the first part remote from the handle, wherein the tines of the second part of the working member extend from the outer edge of the first part.

4. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the first part of the working member is curved in at least substantially concave, at least hollow, manner toward the second part.

5. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the second part is flanked on either side by upright third parts over at least a part of its length, and that the second part and the third parts mutually enclose an obtuse angle.

6. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the third parts comprise a tine which is elevated relative to an outer tine of the tines of the second part, and maintains at least practically the same distance therefrom as the tines of the second part on average relative to each other.

7. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the third part comprises an at least

practically closed upright portion which extends from the first part and reaches only partly along a length of the tine of the third part.

8. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the handgrip is directed at least substantially transversely of the handle.

9. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 8, characterized in that the handgrip comprises a D-grip.

10. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the handle comprises a downward bend in at least a first working position.

11. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the tines narrow at least on a free outer end thereof and are flat on an underside.

12. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 11, characterized in that on an upper side thereof the outer end is a straight continuation of at least an adjacent part of the tine.

13. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the second blade-like part of the working member comprises between 6 and 40 tines, in particular between 14 and 20 tines.

14. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the tines thereof maintain an average fixed mutual distance of 10-35 millimetres, in particular of 15-27.5 millimetres.

15. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the tines have an at least substantially cylindrical shape over at least a basic part of their length with a diameter lying between 5 and 15 millimetres.

16. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that a length of the tines of the second part increases from the outside to the inside from 40-240 millimetres for an outermost tine to 120-400 millimetres for an innermost tine, and that free outer ends of the tines lie in an at least practically straight line.

17. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the working member is formed integrally.

18. (Original) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 17, characterized in that the working member is composed of plastic or metal, in particular of an impact-resistant and break-resistant plastic from a group of optionally fibre-reinforced polycarbonate, polyamide, polypropylene and ABS.

19. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the handle comprises an optionally filled, relatively lightweight tubular body, particularly of aluminium or thin-walled steel.

20. (Currently Amended) Gardening tool as claimed in claim 1 ~~one or more of the foregoing claims~~, characterized in that the handgrip is formed from one part in plastic, in particular an impact-resistant and break-resistant plastic from a group of polypropylene and ABS.